

St Andrew's Lutheran Church Council
July 16, 2020, 6:30 pm

*St. Andrew's is recognized as a Christian community, celebrating God's love through serving others,
and working for peace and justice.*

Attendance: David Putz, Laurie Hoifeldt, Al Jergens, Janeen Christy, Steve Loucks, Alice Thompson, Rollie Link, Alice Thompson, Janet Dixon, Lori Paulson, Pastor Jeff Alvestad

Call to order: 6:33 pm by Laurie H

Devotions: Steve Loucks

Prayers: by Pastor Jeff

Committee reports:

Consent agenda (sent out ahead of time, approved in one vote) Motion made, seconded and approved.

Approval/revision of agenda

Approval of previous minutes

Task Force Recommendations

- Church closed through August 31. Motion made, seconded and approved to have church closed through August 31 based on the stipulation that the COVID committee includes it in their 7/15/20 recommendations.

Treasurer's report – Dave. Rentals – tenant is working to be current – July bills will be covered. Council committed to cover the balance of the boiler bill with operations (unencumbered) money. Income is ahead of what is expected (52.6%), and budgeted expenses are down. PPP CARES money shows as a loan but will be transferred as income when loan is forgiven.

Pastor's Report – Pastor Jeff. Monthly report was submitted. There was much discussion on how often/long the Council should meet. The Council will need to convey to the new pastor the exceptional circumstances facing the council and congregation for the past 2 years or so.

Youth Director's report – Not available.

Committee updates (send via email if we run out of time)

- EMF – Scholarships (Dave). 4 scholarships were approved.
- Stewardship & Finance –
- Personnel – (Laurie). Heather Eddy began work on Monday, July 13; updated position description attached in email. She works in the church office daily and door will remain locked. Council should approve council lay workers. Move the council approve the
- Property – boiler update (Steve?). Waiting on the electrical panel.
- Social Concerns –
- Education/Adult Forum – Additional books ordered – Dear Church; discussion will begin Sunday, 7/26 at 9:00 a.m.
- Outreach –
- Worship & Arts – A banner for lawn has been designed and is being finalized.
- Pine Ridge/Tanzania –

- **TMT** Continuing the fundraiser for the education wing in Tanzania--if anyone needs flowers please contact Carol Putz
- Fellowship – (Rollie). Rollie has been researching into connecting with members. 3 issues: 1) every one has different needs 2) member may watch other services 3) people are missing the fellowship. Rollie presented and idea: issue a fellowship challenge – ask congregation to reach out to others for a chat and call as many people as you can. OR make a game of it and create a fellowship table. You would then call in to the office and provide the fellowship tables. Winners get a call from Pastor Jeff. Rollie will set it up with Heather.
- Audit – team met and will conduct an audit in October 2020.

Old business:

- Livestream update -Still waiting on two quotes
- Per Lynn Miller's request, Laurie contacted Erika Uthe on June 19 to confirm that we are on hold in our search process.
- Synod meeting is scheduled for August 7. Laurie H as tentatively agreed to attend.

New Business:

- Thanks to Janet Dixon for joining council. Motion was made, seconded and approved to appoint Janet Dixon to council.
- Heather Eddy now in office; an update on office procedures is available.

EMAIL Motion

Motion was made to offer Heather Eddy the newly created Office Manager/Communications Manager. The Council seconded and approved the motion on July 3, 2020.

Closing Prayer: Pastor Jeff

Meeting adjourned: 7:32 pm

August devotions: Janeen C

Submitted by Lori Paulson, Secretary

Approved 8/20/20